

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A structural element, ~~in particular cross member for arrangement arranging between A-pillars of a motor vehicle, comprising:~~
a base body with a basic body which is essentially designed as a hollow profile and
[[is]] provided on the inside with a plastic core forming at least one duct, wherein the base
body basic body being designed such that it is at least partially perforated such that the base
body comprises a plurality of holes which are spaced apart from one another, which are
arranged in rows and/or columns, and which form a pattern.
2. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base
body basic body being designed such that it is perforated at least in an opening region, in
particular in the region in which a flow exit~~exit~~.
3. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base
body is basic body being formed from sheet metal, in particular from a steel sheet, or a light
sheet metal.
4. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the
perforation of the base body is basic body being formed from at least one of a perforated
sheet metal, and/or a wire mesh, and/or an expanded metal.
5. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base
body is basic body being formed from two half bodies or from in particular from two half
shells.
6. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base
body basic body, in particular its comprises two half bodies, being which are held together

via the plastic core.

7. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 5, wherein the two half bodies are additionally being connected mechanically.

8. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 5, wherein the base body is basic body being perforated in one opening region per half body.

9. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 5, wherein the base body is basic body being perforated in an opening region engaging over both half bodies.

10. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 9, wherein the opening region which comprise, in the case of it being provided with a perforation engaging over the half bodies, comprises being provided with a reinforcing element.

11. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 10, wherein the reinforcing element is being arranged parallel to the plane of separation of the half bodies.

12. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the base body comprises basic body being provided with a plurality of opening regions which are arranged at a distance from one another, as seen in the longitudinal direction.

13. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, wherein the duct comprises multiple chambers being designed as a multichamber duct.

14. (Currently Amended) The structural element as claimed in claim 1, further comprising with securing means, connecting points, or housing parts of a heating and/or air-conditioning system which are being integrally formed on the edges, which bear against each other, of the half bodies or and/or on the basic body.

15. (Currently Amended) ~~An Use of a structural element as claimed in claim 1 as an~~
instrument panel support in a motor vehicle, the instrument panel support comprising:
a base body designed as a hollow profile and provided on the inside with a plastic
core forming at least one duct,
wherein the base body is at least partially perforated such that the base body
comprises a plurality of holes which are spaced apart from one another, which are arranged in
rows and columns, and which form a pattern, and
wherein the duct comprises at least one of being an air-conduction duct or and/or a
cable duct.

16. (Currently Amended) ~~A The use of a structural element as claimed in claim 1 as a~~
cross member, which is arranged below a windshield, in a motor vehicle, the cross member
comprising:
a base body designed as a hollow profile and provided on the inside with a plastic
core forming at least one duct,
wherein the base body is at least partially perforated such that the base body
comprises a plurality of holes which are spaced apart from one another, which are arranged in
rows and columns, and which form a pattern, and,
wherein the duct comprises being an air-conduction duct for conducting an air flow to
be supplied to at least one of a [[the]] windshield, a and/or the side windowwindows, or
and/or an area for heating a wiper blade support.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for producing a structural element which
comprises a base body designed as a hollow profile and provided on the inside with a plastic
core forming at least one duct, wherein the base body is at least partially perforated such that
the base body comprises a plurality of holes which are spaced apart from one another, which
are arranged in rows and columns, and which form a pattern~~as claimed in claim 1,~~ the method
comprising:

~~the basic body being at least partially perforating perforated the base body and being formed~~

forming the base body into a basic shape and

placing being placed the base body into a die in which the plastic core is integrally formed on the base basic body, ~~for example is injection molded on,~~ in a single method step.

18. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein the step of integrally forming the plastic core comprises injection molding the plastic core onto the base body.

19. (New) The structural element according to claim 1, wherein the holes comprise circular holes.

20. (New) The structural element according to claim 1, wherein the holes comprises hexagonally shaped holes.